

## SAYS THE BONDS ARE VALID

Supreme Court Sustains the Issue Voted in Douglas County.

## GOOD NEWS FOR EXPOSITION DIRECTORS

Bonds Voted in Aid of the Big Show Are Constitutional—Funding Bonds Are Also All Right.

LINCOLN, Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Late this afternoon the supreme court handed down an opinion upholding the validity of the Douglas county exposition bonds. It holds that the act authorizing the county to vote the bonds was a special act and that in the matter of the number of votes required to carry the bonds the special act governed over the general provision. It also held that the voting of bonds for the purpose of aiding the exposition was constitutional, being for a public purpose; and that the bonds in question were legally voted, and that the auditor is required to register them and certify as to their validity.

In the matter of the Douglas county funding bonds, the court has ordered a re-argument with directions specifically that the question be argued as to whether the amendment made by the legislature in 1885 to section 124, article 1, chapter xvii, of the constitution, which was made to the original section, this amendment related to the number of votes required to adopt a proposition to fund a county indebtedness, and that the amendment was not intended to apply to the case of Douglas county. The court holds that a married woman signs a note as surety for her husband, no liability attaches against her, except so far as the note is used for the interest and benefit of her separate estate.

In the case of Jaynes against the Omaha Street Railway Company, the court holds that the company cannot occupy the street continuously and exclusively and that if a property owner sustains a special damage by reason of the use of the street, he is entitled to recover. The federal court occupied most of the day with the Hodgman damage suit. It was given to the jury at 4 o'clock. Another jury was returned and the court took up the case where the Omaha street railway was the defendant. The jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff of \$10,000, with interest and costs. The case was continued to the next day.

**Swine Breeder's Meeting.**  
RED CLOUD, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The swine breeder's association held its regular meeting in this city today. President Mandelbaum of Blue Hill, presiding. After the usual routine of business, Dr. Peters, professor of veterinary science at the State university, gave the association a good talk on the value of the swine and the importance of the swine breeder's association. He also gave a paper on methods of breeding swine. The association is a very important one and will continue for weeks. Judge Grimes of the Lincoln district has been called to preside at the last half of the term.

## Aid for Cubans.

YORK, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The Modern Woodmen of York will do something to aid starving Cuba. At a meeting held last night a committee was appointed to solicit subscriptions of money and grain to send east. The following comprise the committee: J. M. W. Fitch, R. P. Fagan, William Poppleton, Omaha; E. H. Riggs, Brewster, La. Leasure, Papillion; C. B. Willey, Omond; R. B. Walker, Mason City; D. M. Quackenbush, Greenwood; George L. Meisner, Liberty; Guy W. Green, Lincoln; D. C. Hooper, Ramsey; J. L. Daniel, Burlington; W. W. Schooley, Cozad; W. L. Hand, Kearney; W. L. Kirkpatrick, York.

Governor Holcomb has honored the requisition papers of the governor of Kansas for the release of the Cuban prisoners. The prisoners are being held in the state penitentiary at Lansing, Michigan. The governor of Kansas has agreed to release the prisoners on the condition that they be released on parole. The prisoners are being held in the state penitentiary at Lansing, Michigan.

## After More Tax Money.

FRANKLIN, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—A petition is being circulated at this place to annex a farm belonging to Jean Eugene to the school district. The farm is situated on the Burlington railroad track through this place and if the deal goes through it will be of great benefit to the district. The school district is now in the hands of the state auditor and the school district is now in the hands of the state auditor.

## Agricultural Society.

GORDON, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The Sheridan County Agricultural society at its annual meeting today elected the following officers: President, C. H. Sallor; vice president, A. W. Gealy; secretary, H. G. Lyon; treasurer, W. K. Knepper; board of directors, Amos Burkholder, J. B. Nicholson, J. W. Gealy, M. Swigert; general superintendent, R. E. Clapp.

## Politician in the Pulpit.

BEATRICE, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Captain W. H. Ashby, the well known populist politician, who has renounced politics and has devoted himself to the evangelistic work, made his initial appearance in his new role here tonight, before a crowded house. He delivered a good address, and his efforts were well received. The Omaha officers say these two men are hard characters. Cunningham was identified as a pal of "Big Mike" Wagoner.

## Sues a Saloon Keeper.

GRETNA, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Suit was commenced in the district court at Papillion today by Charles Kroll, a Gretna saloon keeper, by Mrs. Jane Doyle, to recover \$2,000, alleged damages she sustained because her husband, James Doyle, had bought liquor at Kroll's saloon. Doyle is now living in Gretna and is a saloon keeper. The suit is a regular one and is being handled by the court.

## Cold Wave at Calhoun.

CALHOUN, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—A cold wave struck this place last night about 9 o'clock. The mercury fell very rapidly and soon reached zero. The weather the last two weeks has been about right for putting the crops in and the cold wave has been gathered, over 500 tons being put up.

## Early Closing at Red Cloud.

RED CLOUD, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—Beginning last evening all of Red Cloud's business houses with the exception of drug stores and restaurants closed at 8 p. m. until September 1. Red Cloud is a small town and has a good trade during January, notwithstanding it is generally the poorest month of the year.

## Honors for Miller.

MALMO, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—F. Miller, formerly of Nance county and Silver Creek, Neb., was called to the home office of the Prudential Insurance company at Newark, N. J., and advanced to the position of superintendent of the McKeesport, Pa., division at an increased salary.

## Revival at Gordon.

GORDON, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—An interesting series of revival meetings have just closed at the Methodist Episcopal church, conducted by Rev. S. A. Beck. The city. The annual conference of the church was held at Gordon, Neb., and the church is now in a state of revival. The church is now in a state of revival.

## Berkeley-Belmont.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—The marriage of Michael Berkeley and Miss Susan Belmont was solemnized by Father Roche at St. Mary's Catholic church yesterday. The young people have always resided near this city.

## Nebraska News Notes.

The Grafton Courier has decided to quit business. The business men are making an effort to secure a creamery. The new creamery at Silver Creek has commenced operations. The Santa Fe road is shipping a trainload of ice daily out of Superior. The creamery at Pender has been completed and started operations. The annual joint meeting of the teachers' associations of Antelope and Madison counties will be held at Antelope, Neb., Saturday. The Catholic parish at Orleans has received a donation of \$500 from a New York woman to assist in building its new church. The teachers of Logan county assembled at the court room in Grand Island Saturday and perfected a county teachers' association. The county board of Custer county has decided to check up the books of all county officers who have served during the last four years.

## Farmers and Poultry.

MCCOOK, Neb., Feb. 2.—(Special Telegram.)—This afternoon the Southwestern Nebraska Farmers' convention opened its sessions in this city with a goodly attendance. The first session was taken up in the discussion of the best methods of raising wheat and corn in this part of Nebraska. At the night meeting the poultry people held a full session. Mrs. Nellie Hawks, one of the best authorities in the state, delivered an address on the subject of poultry raising, and Secretary George of the Nebraska commission supplemented her address by some well timed and pertinent remarks. The Republican Valley District Poultry association is holding its first annual exhibition here. Over 250 birds of thirty breeds are represented in the show, which exceeds any ever attempted in this part of the state.

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## AFTER THE SCALP OF QUAY

Pennsylvania Republicans Will Again Try to Defeat Him.

## WANT WANAMAKER TO RUN FOR GOVERNOR

All the Political Hiss in the State Are Charged to the Senator, and His Annihilation Is Demanded.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 2.—The anti-quay movement in the republican party received an impetus here today at a conference at which there were present about 400 representative business and party men from all parts of the state. The conference was held under the auspices of the Business Men's league.

The meeting was called to order by Elias Deemer of Williamsport, who stated that it had been called on behalf of republicans of the state who desired the election of a governor who will administer the affairs of the state without the dictation of any one man.

The conference was in session about three hours. Quite a number of speeches were made denouncing the United States senator from Pennsylvania, and particularly censuring the political methods of Senator Quay. The dominant faction of the state legislature also came in for its share of reproach.

The sentiment of nearly all the speakers was in favor of the nomination of John Wanamaker as the candidate for governor by the republican party at the coming fall election, although the names of Congressman Ditzell and C. W. Stone were frequently mentioned and applauded.

Great enthusiasm was aroused in the earlier part of the meeting by the reading of a letter from John Wanamaker. It was dated Oread Island, Pa. Mr. Wanamaker expressed regret that a prior engagement had prevented his attendance at the meeting, with the purpose of which he was fully conversant. He stated that he distinctly understood that he did not desire public office and suggested Judge John Stewart, Henry C. McCormick, John Ditzell, Major E. A. Hancock and Colonel E. A. Irwin as names from which could be selected a governor not to be owned by any one.

A committee of seven was selected to notify the republican party of the action of the conference and ask him for permission to use his name as a candidate for governor. The conference adopted a lengthy platform of the state. It declared the republican policies in the state to be disgraced and that this condition has been brought about by the mismanagement of money to corrupt and debase the voters.

The present senior United States senator, the platform says, is understood to desire re-election, and he more than any other man in the state is responsible for the corrupt condition of state politics. His defeat for re-election is urged upon the voters.

## HANNA MEN MAY NOW INTERFERE

Allege They Have Grounds for an Investigation.

COLUMBIA, O., Feb. 2.—The senate committee investigating the alleged charges of attempted bribery in the recent senatorial contest, held a short session this evening and examined one witness, John D. Taylor of this city, who lives at 263 Broad street, and at whose home E. J. Rathbone was a visitor during a part of the senatorial contest. The purpose of calling Mr. Taylor was to prove that Major Rathbone joined H. H. Boyce, who is alleged to have attempted to bribe the senatorial committee, at the Taylor residence on January 10, when it is claimed Boyce came to the city and met Major Rathbone. Mr. Taylor could not remember of seeing Rathbone at his house on that day, and gave no information regarding the alleged back ride of Rathbone and Boyce.

The Hanna people are now considering the matter, making a hand of the investigation, and may subpoena some witnesses including the leaders in the anti-Hanna movement, and others who may have information that is desired to be brought out. A list of potential witnesses is said to have been prepared.

## Mills Announces His Candidacy.

HOUSTON, Tex., Feb. 2.—Senator Roger C. Mills announces himself a candidate for reelection to the United States senate. He devoted the majority of his announcement to the tariff, and will evidently try to make that the issue on which the fight is to be waged, but in the event of a defeat, he will make the silver question the one to be fought out. The fight will very likely resolve itself into a question of silver against tariff as the predominant national issue in Texas.

## EVENTS ON THE RUNNING TRACKS.

## Heavy Betting, Although but Two Favorites Win.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 2.—The Merchants' handicap at a mile and a sixteenth, the stake event today, was won in hollow style by Bennington and Gardner's Marengo. Milwaukee, the favorite, was ridden with poor judgment, and though only two favorites won, the winners, excepting in the last race, were all Louisiana bred. Results:

First race, selling, one mile: Queen Mab won, Possum second, Wolma third. Time: 1:47.

Second race, selling, one mile and a sixteenth: Lechebush won. His brother second, Red Duchess third. Time: 1:52.